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THE YEARLY RECORD.

Total Number of Worlds Printed during 1887,
83,389,828.
Average per Day for Entire Year.
228,465.

SIX YEARS COMPARED.

THE WORLD came under the present proprietorship May 10, 1882.

| Year | Total | Daily Average |
|------|------------|---------------|
| 1882 | 8,181,157 | 22,386 |
| 1883 | 12,335,238 | 33,541 |
| 1884 | 28,139,745 | 77,092 |
| 1885 | 51,241,307 | 141,867 |
| 1886 | 70,126,041 | 192,126 |
| 1887 | 83,389,828 | 228,465 |

Sunday World's Record:

Over 200,000 Every Sunday During the Last Two Years.

The average circulation of The Sunday World during 1882 was **14,727**
The average circulation of The Sunday World during 1883 was **24,054**
The average circulation of The Sunday World during 1884 was **79,985**
The average circulation of The Sunday World during 1885 was **166,636**
The average circulation of The Sunday World during 1886 was **234,724**
The average circulation of The Sunday World during 1887 was **257,267**

Amount of White Paper used during the Five Years Ending Dec. 31, 1887:

| Year | Total | Daily Average |
|------|------------|---------------|
| 1882 | 1,423,288 | 3,927 |
| 1883 | 2,335,238 | 6,398 |
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CIRCULATION BOOKS OPEN TO ALL.

CLIPPING THE HALF-HOLIDAY.

A bill has been introduced in the Assembly limiting the Saturday half-holiday to the months of July and August.

For whose benefit was this humane law passed? For that of the toilers. Who asks to have it clipped? The club loungers, the money-lenders, the men who live by other people's labor.

The toilers are many. The loungers and money-shavers are few. The Legislature is not likely to forget this fact.

SITTING ON COTTECK.

ANTHONY COMSTOCK's attempt to put petticoats and chest-protectors on the statues and to court-plaster the pictures in Philadelphia, has come to grief.

Prying ANTHONY obtained copies of photographs imported for artists' use by representing himself, it was alleged, as an artist. The prosecuting attorney said that the pictures were "of the highest state of art," and that "any man who says they are obscene ought to go to a less civilized community than Philadelphia." The Judge held that "nude pictures are not necessarily lewd or indecent." All of the accused dealers were acquitted.

The Society for the Prevention of Vice has legitimate good work enough to do. It should not bring itself into contempt by attempting to suppress or to emasculate art.

CHARACTER AND REPUTATION.

It is said of Cashier O'BRIEN, the defaulting fugitive from Auburn, that "his personal character stands the closest investigation," the "only charge against him being that he was passionately fond of poker," and this is modified by the statement that he was "a lucky player, many thousands ahead of the game."

What a simple, truly good life! It is indeed an heroic virtue to always keep "ahead of the game"—especially if you gamble with other people's money.

That Mr. O'BRIEN defaulted and ran away at last would seem to indicate that his reputation was better than his character.

HEAT-PRODUCING FOOD.

To adapt the diet to the weather is one of the arts of living.

Food rich in carbon costs no more than that which is not heat-producing. It should be used in preference during the cold weather.

Bacon, or fat meat of any kind, butter, suet, molasses or sugar, are to the body what coal or wood is to the furnace. Vegetables, grains and fruits are good to make up a variety, but for blizzard-proof "stoking" fats and sweets are best.

The Sun (mortgaged) says to-day that "the mercury went down to 60 degrees below zero" and talks of an 88-calibre pistol. As mercury freezes at 32.5 degrees below zero, and a howitzer might not scorn an 88-calibre ball, the emptiness of the Sun's (mortgaged) boast of its accuracy is illustrated once more.

The monkey-and-parrot time of the District of Columbia Republicans in choosing delegates (representing no votes) to the Presidential Convention gives a fine send-off to the party of "great moral ideas."

Dakota would be promptly admitted to the Union if she would promise to give up the business of hatching blizzards. Perhaps these disturbances are her protest against being left "out in the cold."

There is a real, live Duke in town, but it is doubtful if he would see the fun in the "real article" in "The Henrietta."

The Senatorial neck at Albany appears to be about six or eight sizes too big for Boss PLATT's brass collar.

Emperor WILLIAM is certainly "pretty well, thank you," once more. He "greatly

admired" Lady RANDOLPH CHURCHILL, the "cynosure of all eyes," at the opera the other night. So long as an octogenarian can find pleasure in looking at a handsome woman he is in no danger of dying of old age.

It must have given "society" at Washington a great shock to learn that this Joe is no respecter of persons. To almost drown a Count was certainly very uncivil.

HEARD AT THE MORTON HOUSE.

"Say, Stewart, loan me \$5."
"No; Bangs has not been here to-night."
"Here comes Floyd Smith and Hugh Kelly."
"Let's go upstairs and play 'Hide the Heart.'"
"It is about time for Tom Burke to ring the bell."
"Col. Fellows smokes retnas—three for half a dollar."
"P. J. Moriarty is often taken for an Irish Count."
"Police Capt. Clinchy resides at the Westminster."
"Prof. Laffin is in favor of a law against cigarette smoking."
"I would rather be a police captain than an Alderman."
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A STILL HUNT.

In New York's Rotten Row.

Police Capt. T. R. Reilly,
Of the West Thirtieth Street Station.

BY
PART I.

[WRITTEN EXPRESSLY FOR "THE EVENING WORLD."] EW YORK is not altogether the city it was. Plenty of the municipal police who have served for twenty years or more on the force can remember dives and ugly spots which used to be centres of evil doing and the haunts of rogues which have now been wiped out. Five Points was once a name which was terrifying throughout the country. That has been whitewashed into quite a respectable neighborhood. "Paradise Park" has a better sound than the Five Points and the locality is as greatly altered as the name.

There were several places that were rivals of the Five Points. I had some experience of one of them in an arrest which I had to make when I was in a precinct further downtown than the one in which I am at present. It was between Canal and Spring streets.

Such a wreck of buildings it would not be easy to find! They are gone now, and a good riddance to them. Old tumble-down houses they used to be. Dark, narrow passageways, small rooms, with twice the number of occupants they could conveniently hold, wooden stairs that were crumbling with age and with break-neck holes in them, and dark corners everywhere. It was called by a happy choice of name for such a woe-begone tumbling lot of buildings, "Rotten Row."

He caught hold of the gentleman's vest as he came up and gave such a wrench to it that he fairly tore it half way off. His victim redoubled his cries, and the thief, seeing he had not got what he wanted, and losing patience, brought down his right hand with the brick in it with crushing force on the other one's head.

It broke into his skull and he dropped to the pavement, his legs twitching as if he were in a fit. The young man went through him, relieved him of his watch, the roll of bills and a pocketbook with several valuable papers in it, and made off.

The gentleman was found by the patrolman lying senseless on the sidewalk. An ambulance was summoned, and he was conveyed to the hospital. His brain was injured, and for some time he lay unconscious between life and death, and then had a violent fever.

When he recovered sufficiently he gave such a description of his assailant as he could. A young, strongly built fellow, not more than twenty, with a bristling mustache. His eyes had been too shaded by the hat to tell what color they were, and the gentleman confessed to having been so excited that he did not get a very clear idea of the rascal's appearance.

Most of the prominent crooks of a neighborhood are known to the police. I had some idea of who it might be that had done the thing. I put on citizen's clothes and began to work on the case.

The attack had been made in the neighborhood of Canal street. From the use of the brick I did not believe the thief had meant to inflict any injury on the gentleman, but at first intended, as I said, to smash his watch and get off with it. At the utmost he had probably thought of nothing more than knocking the man down. But finding that he seemed to be a good subject with plenty of money about him, and seeing the pile of brick at hand, he had adopted the idea of knocking him in the head with the brick in order to paralyze him, and if it killed him that was not a thing that would worry the thief very much.

So I concluded that my man came from somewhere in that neighborhood, and if so, there was no place as likely to be either his residence or his refuge as "Rotten Row."

I hung around there trying to get some clue. I would drop into the beer-saloons and barrooms and listen to the men talk while I pretended to read the papers. Sometimes I would get into conversation with the men that would lounge in for drinks.

There was a cheap eating-house along there, and fellows would often bring in some girl and have supper there. One evening I was in this place, sitting at one of the small tables, near two men who were taking something to eat. While we were there a girl came in alone and walked along with a sort of swagger air to a table in the corner.

The two men followed her with their eyes. Then one of them said in an undertone to the other:

"Isn't that Jim's girl?"

"Used to be," said the other, shortly. "He's got another one now. I haven't seen him with her for a month."

"Where is Jim? I haven't seen him for some time."

"I guess you won't see him for a while. He's layin' low," returned the second fellow.

"Why, what's he ben up to, now?" inquired the first.

"Don't know," was the answer. "But I think he knows something." Here the speaker lowered his voice so that I could not catch what he said, although I was listening very attentively. The first man leaned his head over so as to catch what the other said.

"The feller ain't dead, is he?" he inquired audibly enough for me to hear, after the remark was finished.

"Dunno. He was taken to the hospital," said the informant.

The name of one of the fellows whom I suspected of cracking the gentleman on the head with the brick was Jim, and I thought they might be referring to him.

They went out pretty soon, after giving a glance at me as they rose to leave. I went over to the table where the girl sat and engaged her in conversation. She was ready enough to talk. I tried not to say anything to excite her suspicions. I found out she lived in "Rotten Row," and that sometimes she came into this little restaurant to get her supper. I got her to promise to come around the next evening and take supper there, and said I would be there and pay for it.

"I'll come around any time you want to pay the bill," said she with a grin. "It's so much in."

[Part II. To-Morrow.]

Policeman Webb Married.

Patrolman Robert Webb, of the Central Office, a son of Capt. Webb, was married to-day to Miss Kate Cleary, a daughter of the ex-Alderman. The ceremony took place at St. Peter's Church in Barclay street, and was followed by a reception at the Astor House and a brief tour to Washington.

Beautiful flowers and silver gifts were sent from the typewriting office at Police Headquarters, of which Mr. Webb is chief.

Two Hundred and Sixteen Pairs of Trousers Weighed Against Two Machines—Aaron Loeb Tries His Suit On in Court—Lawyer Rosenthal in a Squall—Six Intelligent Citizens in a Box Decide a Case.

The clock in Justice Stecker's court-room asserted that it was 7.45, and intelligent people knew that it was a lie.

Stenographer Redford came in and settled himself in front of his little desk, sharpened a few pencils, and opened a note-book. Interpreter Knock put his dainty overshoes in a corner, and carefully hung up his hat and coat. Justice Stecker came in from an ante-room, greeted the lawyers with a smile, took his seat on the raised platform, and looked over a bundle of papers.

In the mean time the room was filling up with lawyers, plaintiffs and defendants who were to be the principals in the day's performance, a lot of snipers by courtesy called witnesses and a mixed audience of Hebrews, Irishmen, Italians and Germans.

A few women occupied reserved seats. No one complained about their high hats, and most of them were none at all.

It is 9 o'clock and Crier MacNichol draws himself up to his full height and shouts loud enough for the clerk downstairs to hear him, "Hear ye, hear ye, hear ye, all persons having business in this court will be heard."

Then he sits down with a satisfied look and guards the entrance to the lawyer's cage.

The performance begins. Justice Stecker, the clerk and the material home and made the trousers. He had bought two machines from the defendant, but had not paid for them in full. When the trousers were finished Katz refused to pay for them and the marshal was sent around for them.

In his defense Katz said he agreed to pay only fifteen cents a pair for the trousers and stated that Karatzky owned him \$24 for the machines. After weighing carefully all the evidence, Justice Stecker decided that the plaintiff was entitled to \$42.20, less the \$24 owed the defendant. Exit Karatzky sniffling and Katz in an unhappy frame of mind.

"Cohen against Loeb," calls Justice Stecker, and the second act of the day's performance begins. Up come the parties to the suit, followed by two lawyers.

Julius M. Cohen, a tailor, is suing Adam Loeb, his brother-in-law, for \$67, the value of clothing sold to the defendant.

Cohen went on the stand and testified that his brother-in-law bought a lot of clothes from him, but declined to pay for it, as at did not fit. As Loeb, he said, had insisted on having the clothes built according to his own plans, it was not remarkable that they did not fit, and he thought that he should be paid. Cohen then stepped down, and Loeb took the chair.

He is a little man, slightly deformed. He testified that he did not design the suit, but left that to Cohen, and, as the clothes were a wretched fit, he declined to pay for them.